Receives Army Commendation Medal

Staff Sergeant Willard W. Batien, son of Mrs. Ruby B. Stanley of Appomattox, was awarded in January The Army Commendation Medal, First Oak Leaf Cluster, for Meritorious Service from January 1974 to January 1979 as Motor Sergeant, 512th Maintenance Company. He consistently demonstrated the utmost professionalism and dedication in successfully accomplishing his varied and challenging mission. He displayed leadership and expertise in support of four separate units. This accomplishment required expert timing and in-depth planning to maintain and achieve top results. In addition, he earned many compendable ratings during countless inspections and significantly contributed to unit readiness. Sergeant Batien's outstanding service was in the highest military tradition, reflecting great credit upon himself and the United States Army.

Sgt. Batien enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1966 and has served 18 months in Korea, 9 years in Germany and then returned to the United States in January of this year.

He is married to the former Elka Wagner of Lephinethine, Germany and they have a daughter, Nicole, age 7.

Presenting the award to Sgt. Batien in LTC Jerry J. Simpson, Commander, 240th Quartermaster Battalion, Quartermaster Brigade, Fort Lee.

Youth-Energy-Government Fair To Be Held March 24th

Three students from Appomattox High School - Lisa V. Moore, Laurie H. McLean and Susan G. Parris, all of Appomattox will compete with twenty-two youths from Southside Electric Cooperative's Service area for one of the twelve all-expense paid trips to the Rural Electric Washington Youth Tour. The Fair will be held on Saturday morning, March 24th, starting at 10:30 a.m. in the Lankford Building on Longwood College's Campus. The public is invited to attend.

The young people have been given the following subjects from which to choose for their presentations:

1. Electric Cooperatives in our Free Enterprise System; 2. Better Understanding Energy Use in Today's Home; 3. How does Government Relate to Energy in Today's Society; 4. Energy Sources of the Future Such as Nuclear, Breeder Reactors, Solar, Etc.

This certainly affords the participants the opportunity to express themselves on current issues in energy and government.

A panel of five judges will score the contestants for knowledge of subject, originality, relation of presentation to subject, appearance and clarity of presentation and personal poise.

Southside Electric Cooperative will sponsor the twelve winners of the Fair on the Rural Electric Washington Youth Tour in June. The Youth Tour is an education experience in government and rural electric cooperatives. Each student will learn of electric cooperatives from the local, state and national levels, as well as the state and federal government. Highlights of the tour include conferences with the student's own congressman, state senators, and attending committee meetings while on Capitol Hill. This is only part of the four day tour these young people will share with 50 to 60 youths from Virginia when they gather with 1,000 youths from other parts of our nation in Washington.

The Rural Electric Washington Youth Tour is an outstanding educational experience for our local youth. Southside Electric Cooperative is proud to sponsor.

Pamplin

PAMPLIN Sympathy extended to the families of Mrs. Herbert Abbitt of Appomattox and Mrs. Alfred M. Hamlett of Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Maxwell celebrated their 50th anniversary on Thursday March 7th.

Miss Emily Anne Williams of George Mason University, Fairfax is spending her Spring break with her mother Mrs. Richard Williams.

Mrs. Earl Smith spent last week end with her daughter Donna in Richmond.

Zion Baptist Church

You are cordially invited to attend the regular preaching service at the Zion Baptist Church Sunday, March 18, at 11 a.m. The Rev. H. O. Flood will be the guest speaker for the hour.

The pastor aid met Wednesday at Mrs. Franklin's at 7 p.m. The president Mrs. Susie Hunter called the meeting to order, opening song, Bible verses, prayer by Dea. Robert Jennings, minutes received and adopted, dues taken. Mrs. Barbara Radcliff brought in names for new office for the year. Mrs. Mattie Lawson, chaplian, Mrs. Nannie Johnson, second chaplain. The other offices remain the same for the year, each office thanks the club for selecting them for another year. Our meeting adjourned in June after which Mrs. Franklin served a delicious supper.

The Ladies Aid met Sunday at Mrs. Franklin at 1 p.m. with Mrs. Julia Terry hostess. The meeting was called to order by our president Mrs. G. W. Wiggins, our chaplain was in charge of the devotions, Mrs. Etta Edwards. The minutes received and adopted, roll called, dues taken was very good. The business session was taken care. The club is making plans for our summer outing. Mrs. Sarah Pennix and Mrs. Susie Hunter was appointed to get the speaker for Mother's Day Program.

Mrs. Jane Byrd was appointed to make tickets for our bus outing for the summer. We will meet in April with Mrs. Beatrice Walker at the church at the closing of the meeting. Mrs. Terry served a very delicious dinner. All the sick is improving slowly. Miss Mary Chapper Brown remains in a Richmond hospital very sick. Rev. and Mrs. Lacy Allen and family of Baltimore, MD visited in the home of Dea. and Mrs. Frank Johnson this weekend.

Traci Schmutz Celebrates Birthday

Traci Schmutz celebrated her birthday recently with a party at A. J. Skateworld. Attending were, left to right, Barbara Odonnell, Kelly Paulette, Gwen Moore, Suzette Ranson, Sally Coleman, Lisle Ranson, Michelle Ford, Traci Schmutz, Charlotte Moore, Kandy Driskill, Donna Dickerson, Monica Stratton and Jennifer Schmutz.

Brenda Smith Celebrates Birthday

Brenda Smith celebrated her birthday recently with a party at A. J. Skateworld. Attending were, at the table, left to right, Barbara Monigold, Eddie Everton, Teresa Bass, Gene Doss, Judy Doss, "Brenda"; Delores Smith, Robin Paulette, Becky Bass, Roxy Slough, Maria Doss, Mrs. Ellen Smith, the mother; and standing, left to right, David Almond, Frank Clark, Wayne Chumley, and Debbie Smith.

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"The South 40" by James A. Smith Extension Agent

In one year the value of a beef animal has risen $175.

A lot of people are concerned about the price of hamburger -- probably we've gotten use to cheap beef prices. Joe Coffey of VPI & SU Agricultural Economics Department says that hamburger will have to go to $2.35 to be equal to 1973 prices if you consider the inflation factor.

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Feeder Cattle nominations to spring sales are down from last year. For the two Lynchburg sales heifers and steers from Appomattox County total 83 head.

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In 1978 we released parasitized Cereal Leaf Beetles on three or four Appomattox farms. Again this year this program is being offered. Hopefully these small parasitic wasps will increase in such numbers to bring about natural control of this important small grain pest.

For 1979 we need to identify three cooperators. If you are interested, please let me know. Tentative release date is May 31.

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There are a lot of damaged trees resulting from the ice storm in January. We are getting question about when to cut and when to leave.

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A good rule-of-thumb is to cut any tree that has 50% or more of its crown broken out. For damaged trees it will take several years before the normal growth reoccurs. The tree must form a new top before diameter growth occurs.

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EPA has suspended the use of 2,4,5-T and Silvex. The only remaining uses allowed are for rangeland (not pasture) and rice.

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A two and one-half day short course on Estimating Timber Volumes will be held at the John Tyler Community College, April 23-25. This course is designed for assessors, tax officials, county engineers, CFM Foresters and interested citizens. Registration fee is $10 and limited to 30 participants.

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Research at Tennessee on use of whole grain corn with one of four supplements for finishing cattle supported excellent growth and very favorable conversion of feed to live weight gain. The resulting carcasses had yield and quality grades whose combinations rendered them quite valuable.

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The Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Association is 24 years old. There are 588,000 beef cows in the state and only 3.4% of these cows are on performance testing.

In a commercial herd, a breeder who improves weaning weight only 10 pounds per calf at current prices would be adding a value of $8.00 per calf. In addition, these faster gaining calves would make more rapid gain in the feedlot and more profit for the feeder. The market today demands fast gaining cattle.

Let's talk it over and learn what the performance of your calves is.

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Sorority Held Ritual For New Members

The Delta Zeta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi recently held its formal pledge ritual for new members at the home of Mrs. Anne Harris.

At this time the above new members were initiated into Beta Sigma Phi. The Harris home was decorated using the Beta Sigma Phi colors and flowers.

Initiated were, left to right, Cindy Thomas, Nancy Elder, Sarah Sommers, and Chris Reeves. Following the ritual the new pledges were entertained with a formal social.

County Line

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Layne and Missy spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nash.

Robin and Stuart Mann spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mann.

Brice Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jones, is on the sick list. We hope he'll soon be better.

Mr. Loyd Nash spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Nash and Dawn and also visited Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mann and boys.

Mrs. Clarence Jones visited Mrs. Elliott Nash Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Henry Mann and Mrs. Nelson Mann visited Mrs. Rachel Cyrus one day last week.

Mrs. Richard Nash visited Mrs. Nettie McCormick on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Collins and Eric spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Tucker.

Mrs. Dennis Arnold and Lisa and Cheryl Tucker visited in this home on Monday.

Mr. Clarence Gobble visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nash Saturday night.

Mrs. Winifred Nash and Windy visited Mrs. Nash's mother, Mrs. Dudley on Sunday.

Mrs. Linda Archer and children visited Mrs. Twyman Nash Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Myrna Nash visited Mrs. David Carson and Susan on Monday.

Mr. Carroll Jennings and Mrs. Mildred Mattox spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Elliott Nash and Dawn.

The County Line Homemakers Club will meet at the Extension Office at 7:30 p.m. March 19. The program will be on cultural arts.

Mrs. Elliott Nash, Dawn Kerr and Mrs. Richard Nash visited Mrs. Twyman Nash and baby Thursday night.

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Featured speakers at the Appomattox Woman's Club March meeting was Mrs. Jeanne Clabough, Adult Education teacher, (left) and Mrs. Betty Jo Smith, Home Economics teacher at ACHS, center. Honored at the meeting was Mrs. Madeline Thomas, when a donation was made to the Home Economics Madeline Thomas Scholarship Fund.

Appomattox Woman's Club Held Meeting

The Appomattox Woman's Club met on March 5. Members enjoyed talks by two Appomattox educators.

Mrs. Jeanne Clabough, Adult Education teacher, discussed recent changes in our society that leave us less well-prepared now to cope with parenthood than in the past and the Harvard Preschool Project, set up to study why some children become well-adjusted and competent and others poorly adjusted underachievers. The results of this study (published in **The First Three Years of Life** by Burton L. White, $4.95 and the subject of an adult class offered by the Appomattox County School Board) indicate that the simple, day-to-day experiences a child has at home in his home in his first three years of life largely and almost irreversibly determine his social and intellectual achievements later on. Mrs. Clabough added "I am convinced that if parents were aware of these findings, the stresses and frustrations of parenthood would be lessened because they would have a proven basis on which to make decisions, and if parents followed the relatively simple early child-rearing practices associated with good development, both they and their children would have far fewer and less serious problems to face late ron."

Mrs. Betty Jo Smith, Home Economics teacher at Appomattox County High School, described the various classes offered in the high school Home Economics Department. She also explained the need for the recently developed home economics scholarship fund named for Mrs. Madeline Thomas.

Mrs. Thomas, recently retired, taught home economics in Appomattox for sixteen years. "The scholarship fund is designed to promote leadership opportunities and further the aims and purposes for youth in Home Economics Education in Appomattox County. Civic organizations, businesses, and community leaders, as well as former associates of Mrs. Thomas are being asked for donations as one way to show their appreciation for the learning experiences she provided," said Mrs. Smith.

The Woman's Club, of which Mrs. Thomas is a member, honored her by donating $100.00 to the fund.

Catholic Youth Group To Sponsor Spaghetti Supper

The Youth Group of Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church is sponsoring a Spaghetti Supper at Oakville Ruritan Building on Sunday, March 18, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Prices for the supper will be $2.50 for adults, $1.50 for children under 12 years of age, and those 5 and over FREE.

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Senior FFA Places Second

The Appomattox Senior FFA Chapter Parliamentary Procedure team placed second in the Hub Federation Parliamentary Procedure Contest held at Amherst County High School on Thursday March 1st. Team members were David Stratton, Chris Johnson, Dale Garrett, Richard Jones, Mark Paulette, Ralph Totty, Dennis Stratton, Phil Paulette and coach, J. L. Burcher.

The contest consists of a model FFA meeting with a problem to solve using correct parliamentary procedure. This contest strengthens the knowledge of proper parliamentary procedure and provides practice in it's proper use which is very helpful for team members in the future. The Hub Federation of FFA includes all FFA chapters in the countries of Amherst, Appomattox and Campbell.

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follows: abdominal pains, 3; auto wreck, 2; breathing difficulty,1; broken bones, 1; call canceled, 1; chest pains, 4; diabetic, 2; falls, 5; heart attack, 3; illness, 7; overdose, 1; refused aid, 1; transport by Health Dept. request, 1; transport by doctor's request, 4; stroke, 4; DOA, 1.

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